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Draft Minutes of the
Park-Euclid Water Quality Assurance Revolving Fund (WQARF) Site
Community Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting – 36th meeting

September 10, 2008, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
State of Arizona Regional Complex
400 W. Congress, North Building, Conference Room 158
Tucson, Arizona

CAB Members Present: Justin Berkompas, Richard Byrd, Freya Eddy, Mark Marikos, Jonathan Salvatierra, Jacky Turchick, Steven Turner, Mario Villarreal

CAB Members Absent: Keith Bagwell, Donald Davis, Ira Haskell, Josefina Zapata

ADEQ Staff Present: Tina Le Page, Project Manager; Eileen Palese, ADEQ Community Involvement Coordinator

Members of the Public Present: Joseph Drazek, Tiffany Downey, Mark Groseclose

The meeting began at 6:10 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Co-chair Jacky Turchick conducted introductions of CAB members and public participants.

2. Approval of Minutes for 2/20/08 and 6/26/08 CAB Meetings

The CAB held this agenda item until a quorum of members was present. Richard Byrd motioned to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2008, and the June 26, 2008, CAB meetings. Mario Villarreal seconded the motion. The CAB voted; all were in favor, none were opposed.

3. Vote on CAB Member Resignation: Ira Haskell

The CAB voted on the resignation of Ira Haskell. All were in favor; none opposed.

4. Nomination and Election of CAB Co-Chairs

Richard Byrd motioned to reelect the current co-chairs. Mario Villarreal seconded the motion. Eileen Palese asked Jacky Turchick and Mark Marikos if they wished to continue as co-chairs. They agreed that they did. Jacky Turchick asked if there were any other nominations. None were put forth. The CAB voted to reelect Jacky Turchick and Mark Marikos as co-chairs. All were in favor; none opposed.

5. Site Update

Tina Le Page provided a site update and displayed the current plume maps for the discussion. She pointed out the location of a new monitoring well, UAM-2B, installed right next to UAM-2, in April 2008. She displayed a map showing the results of monthly sampling of the University of Arizona sentinel and monitoring wells, UAM-1, 2 and 3. She said there was a slight detection of 5.7 parts per billion (ppb) of PCE in the UAM-2 well, which is above regulatory limits. She said this seems to be cyclical for this well. She said a slight detection of PCE was noted in UAM-1, way below 5 parts per billion, but it was there. She discussed the perched aquifer at the Park-Euclid WQARF Site and reviewed the sampling data from the wells in that area. She said sampling will take place in November, so the next report will be available at the beginning of 2009. She then discussed the regional aquifer and reported that the plume of contamination has not changed significantly.

Tina Le Page reported that ADEQ's consultants, Geo Trans, are working on the Feasibility Study (FS) work plan. She said she does have a draft copy, which is under review. She said she hoped to have a copy of the final Remedial Investigation (RI) report done by now; however, there are some issues between ADEQ and some individuals that are funding some of the work for the site. One of the insurance companies wants ADEQ to again take a look again at the perched aquifer. They understand that this will slow down finalizing the RI. If ADEQ can include what is being requested, then the document can be finalized. ADEQ is going to meet with the insurance companies on September 19, 2008.

Jacky Turchick asked for more details about the disagreement between the insurance companies and ADEQ. Tina Le Page said the insurance companies want ADEQ to include, as part of the RI, a portion of the perched aquifer beneath the Park-Euclid WQARF site that has the diesel contamination commingled with the PCE. A lot of the information about the diesel contamination is in the RI, but to accommodate their request, the RI would have to be reworked. ADEQ needs a mechanism to do this-- ADEQ needs to determine if there is a statutory designation for this request.

Jacky Turchick asked what the parameters are for the diesel contamination. Tina Le Page said there is a portion of diesel contamination that is slightly larger than the footprint of the site, mostly north of the Mission Linen facility. The CAB discussed the diesel contamination in the area of the site and whether there are any other funds available to remediate the site, including the diesel contamination.

Tina Le Page said the insurance companies would like to see the responsible parties brought in to help pay for the diesel portion of the cleanup, however, the responsible parties have not been determined for the diesel contamination. She said the state budget will not allow for cleanup of the diesel contamination. She said ADEQ's main concern now is to have funds available for sampling. She said the perched aquifer is not as great a concern for cleanup because it is not a drinking water source.

Jonathan Salvatierra mentioned that Union Pacific Railroad is working to clean up some areas of diesel contamination. Tina Le Page said there are several remediation systems along the railroad tracks and they take part in voluntary cleanup programs.

The CAB discussed the movement of the plume. Richard Byrd said the perched aquifer flow is north-

westerly. He said the City of Tucson routinely reviews the work that is being done by Union Pacific Railroad at their cleanup sites.

Tina Le Page showed a graph of the flow direction of the perched aquifer and said it basically mimics the flow of the Santa Cruz River. She said it is flat and moves very slowly. She said a mounding effect is occurring near well PER-13, at 13th Street, so ADEQ plans to install a well next to it, PER-14, in October. The well across 13th Street, MLR-7, does not have a mound effect, and yet it is only 60 to 70 feet away from PER-14. ADEQ wants to determine what is happening between the two wells which is only a short distance across the street. Isotope data from the UA also shows an anomaly in this area that ADEQ hopes to understand better by drilling another well. She said MLR-7 is only 200 feet deep. The aim is to get as close to the top of the regional aquifer as possible.

6. Update on Arroyo Chico Project

Richard Byrd reported that he received an update from the City of Tucson Department of Transportation and Pima County Flood Control on the completion of the Cherry Fields detention basin, part of the Arroyo Chico Project. He said the city's only role at this time is to be sure the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is implementing the agreed-upon changes to the design as specified by the neighborhood, and the Mayor and Council. He said the Corps is looking at a phased approach to putting in the remaining basins due to federal budget cuts. Pima County Flood Control is also looking at what can realistically be done to move the project forward. He said they only have \$5 million, instead of \$30 million, to work with this year. Jacky Turchick said she continues to go to meetings held about the project construction.

7. Call to the Public

Joe Drazek, Mission Linen representative, updated the CAB on the pump repair for the Multiphase Extraction system at the facility. He said a new pump has been installed and the system is again operating. The consultants are in the process of collecting air quality samples. He said the system is operating within all permit requirements.

8. CAB Outreach Reports

Jacky Turchick said that the San Antonio Neighborhood Association has not met recently. She is still seeking new members for the CAB from the neighborhood. She said she is talking to Bill Richards, president of the Miles Neighborhood, about joining the CAB.

Jonathan Salvatierra suggested ADEQ ask Union Pacific Railroad to join the CAB. Eileen Palese said the CAB invited representatives of Union Pacific Railroad to join in the past, but they declined. The CAB discussed his proposal. Jacky Turchick thought it might be a good idea if the CAB asked the company to join again in a letter. She asked Eileen Palese if she would provide a copy of the last letter the CAB wrote to Union Pacific Railroad. Eileen Palese said she would get this to the co-chairs. Jacky Turchick thought it would be a good idea to look at who is within a one-mile radius of the site and send a letter to all the concerned neighborhoods saying that the CAB is seeking more members. This also would include any interested parties. The CAB discussed the letter and agreed that this should be done. The co-chairs will draft a letter for mailing.

9. Other Administrative Business

Eileen Palese reported that Josefina Zapata told her that she has decided to resign from the CAB and will provide a letter of resignation to ADEQ. Eileen Palese also mentioned that Don Davis has been ill, but he would like to remain on the CAB.

Jacky Turchick asked Steven Turner and Freya Eddy if they live within the one-mile radius of the site, as specified in the charter for the Park-Euclid WQARF site. Steven Turner said they now live in the Palo Verde and Grant area, but he works within one mile of the site. Jacky Turchick said she has a concern about their attendance and being very late for the meetings because the CAB has not been able to reach a quorum. She said she appreciates their difficulty in coming to the meetings. She asked for a CAB discussion about having two people on the CAB unable to attend, or to be on time.

Eileen Palese asked Freya Eddy and Steven Turner if they thought they would be able to attend in the future. The CAB discussed attendance issues and asked if the CAB charter could allow for alternate members, to help reach a quorum. The charter provisions were discussed as was the importance of starting the meetings on time because CAB meetings are public meetings.

Eileen Palese checked the charter to see if there was any wording that prohibited a member being voted on as an alternate. She said she will research the issue and then the CAB can vote on this change to the charter at the next meeting.

Jacky Turchick said that the Barrio San Antonio neighborhood received a grant from the Pima County Neighborhood Reinvestment program and was awarded a half-million dollars to create a greenway and bikeways to connect downtown Tucson all the way to Reid Park, as well as new park equipment and landscaping in the neighborhood.

10. Next Meeting Date/Agenda Discussion

The next meeting of the Park-Euclid Community Advisory Board will be held on **Wednesday, February 18, 2009**, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. It will be held at the State of Arizona Regional Complex, 400 West Congress, North Building, Room 158, Tucson, Arizona. Call Eileen Palese, ADEQ Community Involvement Coordinator, at (520) 628-6712 for more information.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

This meeting was recorded on a digital device as a record of the proceedings. To listen to a recording, or for additional documents mentioned in these minutes, contact ADEQ's Southern Regional Office, Community Involvement Office, 520/628-6712.